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**If God is a man, that's bad news for women** would then be divine – and hence only the male would h

Nor has Islam ever discriminated between the male and the female in an unjust way. A woman complain

Nevertheless Islam does employ a philosophy of gender that reinforces the functional differences of the

The Qur'an has clearly established that men have (a measure of) authority over women, and has obliged

- The Qur'an refers to Allah Most High in the masculine, and never in the feminine gender. (The masculin
- The Prophets sent by Allah to mankind to function as spiritual guides and leaders were all men. There
- Although angels are neither male nor female the Qur'an gives them male names and denounces those
- When a child is born a thanksgiving feast called 'Aqiqah' is held. For a male child two animals must be
- The Prophet said that "the best row (in congregational prayer) for men is the first, and the worse is the

Thus men were placed physically in front of women in prayer for all times. A misguided American woma